

Amendments to the Claims

Please cancel Claim 2 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please amend Claims 1 and 3-6, and add new Claims 7 to read as follows.

1. (Currently amended) A recording apparatus comprising:
a carriage carrying a recording head thereon and ~~reciprocally~~ scanning along a recording material;
~~a position detecting sensor disposed on said carriage for detecting a scanning position of said carriage;~~
a code strip to be read by said ~~position detecting~~ sensor;
a guide shaft providing a guide for the scanning of said carriage; and
~~a guide shaft lifting mechanism for moving said guide shaft up and down~~
~~said guide shaft to thereby change a height position of said carriage,~~
~~wherein when said guide shaft is moved up and down, said carriage moves~~
~~makes contact with a lower end portion of said code strip to thereby move said code strip~~
~~up and down said code strip down.~~

Claim 2 (cancelled)

3. (Currently amended) A recording apparatus according to Claim 2 1,
wherein in a state in which said carriage is at an ordinary height, said carriage and the
lower end portion of said code strip do not contact with each other.

4. (Currently amended) A recording apparatus according to Claim 2 1,
wherein said code strip has one end thereof mounted with tension given thereto by a
resilient member.

5. (Currently amended) A recording apparatus according to Claim 1,
wherein the upward and downward movement of said code strip is effected only near said
position detecting sensor.

6. (Currently amended) A recording apparatus according to Claim 1,
wherein said position detecting sensor is comprises a photosensor.

7. (New) A recording apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein when
said carriage is at a CD printing height, said carriage makes contact with the lower end
portion of said code strip.